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: THEREOF, AND METHOD OF USE



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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 19, 2002, using marked-up version of the Claims and also clean copies of such, Applicants amend the Application as follows:

Marked-up Version in the Specification

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 with the following:

This application is a continuation of PCT/US99/19030, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/293,427, filed April 16, 1999, entitled "Method and Constructs for Inhibiting Protein Expression in Bacteria," which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/08/769,945, filed December 19, 1996, entitled "Method and Constructs for Inhibiting Protein Expression in Bacteria," now U.S. Patent No. 5,981,280, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/08/203,806, filed March 1, 1994, entitled "Nucleic Acids Sequence Stress-Induced Proteins and Uses Thereof," now U.S. Patent No. 5,714,575, which corresponds to parent application Serial No. 07/852,013, filed March 9, 1992, now abandoned. This application also claims the

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